

Resources and Links

<http://schoolmeals.nal.usda.gov/Safety> or <http://www.nal.usda.gov/foodborne> -

The United States Department of Agriculture's (USDA) food safety web site contains information from various government organizations and states and links to other food safety-related sites such as the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) Foodborne Illness Education Information Center.

www.californiahealthykids.org - The California Healthy Kids Resource Center (CHKRC) has several food safety resources including training for food service personnel, curricula for students, and quantity cookbooks with recipes that include HACCP. The CHKRC maintains a comprehensive collection of education materials for use by teachers, administrators, other professionals, parents, and communities who work with students in preschool through grade 12.

<http://www.foodsafety.gov> - This is a gateway to government food safety information, and includes resources to promote September as National Food Safety Education Month. Planning guides and ready to print copies of materials are available that can be provided to students and others in the school community on various aspects of food safety.

Current and past editions of the EdNet newsletters are located here. EdNet is an electronic newsletter from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA), Food Safety and Inspection Service (FSIS), and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. This web site provides updates on food safety activities.

<http://www.fightbac.org> - This web site contains many resources for educators and consumers on seasonal food safety campaigns, e.g. food safe picnics in the summer, curricula for grades kindergarten through 12, success stories, and ideas to promote food safety month.

www.asfsa.org - The entire September issue of Playing It Safe will focus on food safety.

<http://www.cdc.gov/foodsafety> - This web site contains technical information as well as educational resources and other information related to food safety.

<http://www.fsis.usda.gov> - Information on a HACCP-based inspection model project, homeland security, bovine spongiform encephalopathy (mad cow disease), and field trip meals can be located on this web site.

<http://www.fooddetectives.com> - The Food Detectives Fight Bac! gives kids a fun way to learn about foodborne illness. By listening to music and "solving cases", 8-12 year old kids learn key food safety messages.

<http://www.ed.gov/free> - The National Middle School Association has a web site listing containing resources for teachers. One new and well-received resource is "Science and Our Food Supply", a food safety and food science supplementary curriculum developed by the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and the National Science Teachers Association.

http://www.restaurant.org/nfsem/keep_it_clean/ifsc.html - This is the web address for the International Food Safety Council. The Council offers educational and promotional materials free to industry to reinforce food safety knowledge and practice.

<http://www.whitehouse.gov/news/release/2002> - This web site contains a copy of the White House press release of the bill H.R. 3448, the Public Health Security and Bioterrorism Response Act of 2002.

The Food Safety Educator – This free quarterly newsletter reports on new food safety education programs and materials as well as emerging science concerning food safety risks. Currently, it is distributed to almost 10,000 educators throughout the country. To subscribe, provide your full name, name of your organization, and mailing address. Send your request to USDA/FSIS/Food Safety Education, Room 2944-South Building, 1400 Independence Ave., SW, Washington, DC 20250-3700, or fax to (202) 720 - 9063, or e-mail fsis.out-reach@usda.gov. The newsletter is also available on the FSIS web site at <http://www.fsis.usda.gov/oa/educator/educator.htm>.

Foodsafe – This is an online electronic discussion group. To join, go to <http://www.nal.usda.gov/fnic/foodborne>.